

# The Shorelines

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2017



**LOOK FOR YOUR SUMMER TAX BILL IN THE MAIL THE END OF JUNE.**

**PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PENALTY THROUGH SEPTEMBER 14, 2017 (WITH 9/14/17 U.S. POST OFFICE POSTMARK).**

**DELINQUENT TAXES WILL BE TURNED OVER TO THE COUNTY ON MARCH 1, 2017.**

**BEGINNING WITH THE SUMMER 2017 TAX BILLS, YOU CAN NOW PAY ONLINE WITH YOUR CREDIT CARD. VISIT THE CITY'S WEBSITE AT [WWW.GPSHORESMI.GOV](http://WWW.GPSHORESMI.GOV). UNDER THE "DEPARTMENT" TAB, CLICK ON ASSESSING/TAXES. ONCE THERE, YOU CAN NAVIGATE YOUR WAY TO THE PARCEL THAT YOU WISH TO PAY PROPERTY TAXES FOR.**

**POINTE & PAY IS THE SECURE PAYMENT PROCESS PROVIDER FOR THE VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES. THERE IS A 3% CONVENIENCE FEE THAT WILL BE DISPLAYED PRIOR TO ACCEPTANCE OF THE PAYMENT. THE CONVENIENCE FEE IS CHARGED BY THE PAYMENT PROCESS PROVIDER AND NOT THE VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES.**

**AT THIS TIME, CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS FOR PROPERTY TAXES WILL ONLY BE AVAILABLE THROUGH OUR WEBSITE AND NOT AVAILABLE IN OUR OFFICE.**



## **ATTENTION TAXPAYERS IN MACOMB COUNTY PORTION OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES**

**Macomb County taxpayers of the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores will see a change in their tax bills beginning with the summer 2017 tax bill.**

**Collection of the South Lake Schools portion on the tax bill will now be collected with the summer bill instead of the winter bill. Expect to see a larger summer bill and a much smaller winter tax bill beginning this year.**

GROSSE POINTE SHORES

# CITY NEWS

## ***IMPORTANT CITY DATES IN JUNE***

- 3. Weather Siren Test - 1:00PM
- 6. Requests/Plans for 6/27 Planning Commission Meeting must be submitted by this date
- 13. Finance Committee Meeting - 10:00AM
- 16. Mayor Office Hours 9:30AM to 10:30AM
- 20. Council Meeting - 7:00PM
- 27. Planning Commission Meeting - 8:00AM



**WATCH YOUR MONTHLY  
COUNCIL MEETING  
ON OUR WEBSITE:  
[gpshoresmi.gov](http://gpshoresmi.gov)**

**CLICK ON MEETING VIDEOS ON  
THE LEFT SIDE BAR  
OF THE HOME PAGE**

## **LIBRARY UPDATE**

### **COMING SOON!**

There will be a library book drop off box installed soon in our north parking lot allowing residents easy access to returning library books.

### **REMINDER**

GPS Residents are entitled to a library card which can be used at any of the 3 Grosse Pointe Library Branches.

Central Branch: 343-2074

Ewald Branch: 821-8830

Woods Branch: 343-2072



# PUBLIC SAFETY

## FIREWORKS SAFETY



Director of Public Safety John J. Schulte reminds residents to plan carefully when using fireworks so no one gets hurt. Always use common sense when storing, handling and remember these safety rules:

- ♦ Fireworks are for outdoor use only.
- ♦ Always have a responsible adult in charge, one that is not under the influence of alcohol, a controlled substance or a combination of both.
- ♦ Never give fireworks to anyone under the age of 18.
- ♦ Always read and follow directions on the label.
- ♦ Only light fireworks on a flat surface away from buildings, dry leaves and flammable materials.
- ♦ Always wear eye protection.
- ♦ Light only one firework at a time, and never relight a firework that didn't work the first time.
- ♦ Properly dispose of used and unused fireworks according to the directions on the package.

Fireworks can only be ignited the day before, the day of, and the day after one of the 12 recognized national holidays between the hours of 8 a.m. and midnight, except for New Year's eve and day when they are allowed until 1 a.m. Refer to Michigan Fireworks Safety Act # 256 MCL 28.451 et seq., and the State of Michigan website [www.michigan.gov/LARA](http://www.michigan.gov/LARA), under the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs for additional definitions, restrictions and provisions on use of fireworks.

Lastly, always use discretion during your celebrations, and avoid creating a disruptive environment that annoys or disturbs others or prevents their enjoyment of their property, especially during the late evening hours.

### Nixle Alerts

The Nixle program is your link to local public safety alerts and community announcements delivered by your choice of text message or email. Subscribe to Nixle free of charge by logging on to [www.Nixle.com](http://www.Nixle.com). Nixle is a secure communications service. There is no SPAM or advertising associated with Nixle messages. We urge all residents to take advantage of this informational service.



# ***PUBLIC WORKS***

## **COLLECTION OF YARD CLIPPINGS AND GARDEN RUBBISH**



**This is a seasonal service which ends  
December 1st.**

**Yard clippings and garden rubbish must  
be placed at the curb in appropriate  
paper bags for collection on your  
scheduled day. Tree limbs and branches  
(brush) must be placed at the curb in  
lengths of four feet or shorter and tied in  
bundles weighing less than 50 pounds.**



**The installation of  
infrastructure for WOW Cable  
Service in Grosse Pointe  
Shores is now complete!**

**WOW is now marketing in the  
area.**

**Please visit  
[www.wowway.com](http://www.wowway.com)  
or call 1-800-343-2076 for  
installation information.**

## **EDSEL & ELEANOR FORD HOUSE-WATER MAIN EXTENSION**



Fontana Construction, Inc. has begun construction on a water main extension project along Lake Shore Road, from Crestwood Drive to the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House property. The Ford House is paying for the water line and the looping of the system which also provides a benefit to the last several blocks in our system resulting in better water pressure. The project is expected to be completed by late summer.

Local traffic will be maintained at all times during construction with the exception of possible minor interruptions. Residents will be notified prior to any temporary interruption in access to their driveways. Please obey the posted construction signs, and observe and respect the work crews in the area during construction. Every effort will be made to minimize any inconvenience to all area property owners. Your patience and cooperation is appreciated during this time.



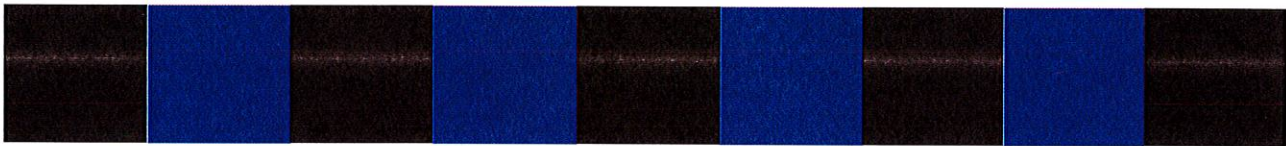
# **P**ROJECT UPDATES



**InfraSource, working in coordination with DTE, is continuing its work installing new gas mains in Grosse Pointe Shores South of Lochmoor.**

**Residents are advised to watch for letters & door hangers explaining the progression of the work crews.**

**Please be patient as the crews work through your area and contact DPW Director Brett Smith @ 886-0020 to report any concerns or damage to your property.**



**Asphalt Control Corp. will be conducting major concrete patching repairs to Duval Road beginning early July.**

**Conducting major patching instead of full replacement will allow funds to include other street repairs including Briarcliff and Ballantyne from Stillmeadow to Briarcliff.**





# PARKS & RECREATION

**THANK YOU**

**A BIG THANK YOU to resident, Daniel Stahl of Stahls, Inc. for donating the Grosse Pointe Shores Arbor Day Fun Run t-shirts again this year.**

**His generosity and assistance in helping us with this event is very much appreciated!!**



## PARK PASS INFO

- ♦ 2017 park pass applications are available at city offices or online at [gpshoresmi.gov](http://gpshoresmi.gov).
- ♦ If you have submitted a park pass application for processing, passes are available for pick up by an adult at the Public Safety Desk located on the first floor of the Municipal Building.
- ♦ Park passes are issued to all residents 8 years and older.
- ♦ Lost passes can be replaced through adult application only at the cost of \$5.00.

## PARK PARTY RESERVATIONS

can be made at City Hall during normal business hours. The pavilion is available for reservations accompanied by a \$25 usage fee and a \$150 refundable deposit due at the time of reservation. The deposit may be retained for cleaning charges unless the pavilion is returned to its original condition.

**Monday - Friday (Weekdays) Maximum 100 persons per event**

**Saturday/Sunday (Weekends) Maximum of 75 persons per event**

**Guest list required for reservation of 10 or more persons**



## CONCESSION STAND HOURS

**Memorial Day: 11AM to 6PM**

**Memorial Day to June 16  
Weekends only**

**Friday 3PM to 6PM**

**Saturday: 3PM to 7PM**

**Sunday: 3PM to 6PM**

**After June 16**

**Monday thru Friday 11AM to 6PM**

**Saturday: 11AM to 7PM**

**Sunday: 11AM to 6PM**

**July 9 - Splash Party: 11AM to 6PM**

**Sept. 10 - Car Show: Noon to 4PM**

**POOL OFFICE: (313)884-2305**

**GATE HOUSE: (313)884-7018**

## PARK HOURS:

**APRIL 15TH TO MEMORIAL DAY: 7:00AM TO 11:00PM**

**MEMORIAL DAY TO LABOR DAY: 6:00AM TO 12 MIDNIGHT**

**LABOR DAY TO NOVEMBER 15TH: 7:00AM TO 11:00PM**

**NOVEMBER 15TH TO APRIL 15TH: 7:00AM TO 7:00PM**



## **PARK IMPROVEMENT UPDATE**

FUNDS FROM THE SPECIAL 1 MILL LEVY HAVE BEEN SET ASIDE FOR PARK IMPROVEMENTS AND TO COMPLETELY REBUILD THE TENNIS COURTS AT THE GPS GEORGE OSIUS MUNICIPAL PARK.

BIDS HAVE BEEN SOLICITED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- ♦ TO COMPLETELY REBUILD THE COURTS KEEPING THEM IN THEIR CURRENT LOCATION.
- ♦ TO MOVE AND REBUILD THE COURTS TO THE SOUTH WEST UNDER UTILIZED SECTION OF THE PARK.

THE 2 NORTH COURTS HAVE BEEN TEMPORARILY REPAIRED AND WILL BE OPEN THIS SEASON FOR USE UNTIL THE PROJECT IS COMPLETE.

IN ADDITION, PLANS CALL FOR WIDENING THE ENTRANCE AND CREATING A NEW WELCOMING HOUSE WHICH WILL BE STAFFED BY A GATE GUARD.

DEMOLITION AND CONSTRUCTION SHOULD BEGIN SHORTLY AFTER LABOR DAY IN ORDER TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OBTAINING THE BEST BIDS AND TO NOT INTERFERE WITH SUMMER ACTIVITIES.

WE WILL KEEP YOU UPDATED AS THIS PROJECT PROGRESSES!

## **SHARKS SWIM TEAM**

**Come join your neighbors, registration is still open! As a SHARK you will compete in swim meets hosted by neighboring parks, participate in an ice cream social, go bowling, enjoy picnics after every Wednesday swim meet, a team camp out and a year end banquet. Please contact the city office at (313)881-6565 for more information on how to sign up.**

## **HELP NEEDED!!**

**The Sharks Swim Team is looking for parent volunteers!**

**The team needs your help in assisting with meet picnics and team activities. Please contact Kathy Mermiges @ [merm1968@msn.com](mailto:merm1968@msn.com).**

**These functions are made possible because of volunteers like you. Help is much needed and very much appreciated!**



**Pool Manager: Kay Drake**  
**Swim Coach: Nick Valice**  
**Harbor Master: Tom Krolczyk**  
**Maintenance: Bob Heckman**

**Gate House: (313)884-7018**  
**Pool Office: (313)884-2305**  
**Harbor Master: (313)881-6565**



# JUNE HAPPENINGS AT THE PARK

**SWIM TEAM  
ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

**JUNE 4TH  
6:00pm to 7:30 pm**

**GROSSE POINTE SHORES  
MUNICIPAL PARK**



**JUNE 19TH**

**TENNIS  
LESSONS  
BEGIN**



**SWIM LESSONS  
SESSION 1  
BEGIN**



**SUMMER CLASS & LESSON  
SIGN UP**

**JUNE 12TH  
4:00PM**

**GPS PARK POOL OFFICE  
(Must present park pass)**

## JUNE SWIM MEETS

- ♦ June 21st - Home Swim Meet  
5:30 PM GPW @ GPS
- ♦ June 24th - Relay Swim Meet  
10:00 AM @ GPP
- ♦ June 28th - Swim Meet  
5:30 PM GPS @ SCS



# 2017 SUMMER CLASS & LESSON SCHEDULE

## TAI CHI

Instructor Jennifer Silverston  
Registration @ City Office

Classes begin 6/5  
Residents \$50 for 6 weeks  
Non-residents \$55 for 6 weeks

Monday 10am to 11am  
Tuesday 6:15pm to 7:15pm  
Wednesday 10am to 11am  
Thursday 10am to 11am

(6/5 - 7/21) No classes week of 7/3  
(7/24 - 9/9) No classes week of 7/31  
(9/11 - 10/8)

## SWIM LESSONS

2 Sessions  
Registration 6/12 4pm @ GPS Park

Classes begin 6/19  
Residents \$40 for 2 week session

Session I: 6/19 - 6/30 M-F  
Session II: 7/10 - 7/21 M-F

Level 1 & 2 10:30am to 11am &  
11:15am to 11:45am

Level 3 11:am to 11:45am

Level 4 12:00pm to 12:45pm

Level 5 & 6 12:00pm to 12:45pm

## TENNIS LESSONS

9 One Week Sessions  
Registration 6/12 4pm @ GPS Park

Classes begin 6/19  
Residents \$30 per week  
(must pay before the start of lesson)

10 & under 10:00am M-F  
11 & up 11:00am M-F

Sessions: 6/19; 6/26; (7/3 \$25, no class 7/4);  
7/10; 7/17; 7/24; 7/31; 8/7; 8/14

## MORNING SWIM

Registration 6/12 4pm  
@ GPS Park

6/19 to 8/25  
5:30am to 8:00am M-F

Residents \$50  
Non-residents \$70

## AQUA ZUMBA

(Low impact, high energy)  
Instructor Jennifer Paczas  
And Jose' Esteves

Registration 6/12 4pm @ GPS Park  
9 Weeks

Classes begin 6/20  
(6/19-8/25)

(No classes week of July 4th)  
Residents \$70

Non-residents \$75

Tuesday 6:30pm to 7:30pm  
Thursday 6:30pm to 7:30pm



## GPS TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

City Administration: 881-6565  
Dept. of Public Safety: 881-5500  
Court Office: 881-5503  
Dept. of Public Works: 886-0020  
Municipal Park Gate: 884-7018  
Pool Office: 884-2305



**EMERGENCIES ONLY: 9-1-1**  
TDD Unit 343-0666  
(for the hearing impaired)

### *Ted J. Kedzierski, Mayor*

*Mark Wollenweber, City Manager*

*Robert Gesell, Mayor Pro tem*

*Rhonda Ricketts, Finance Officer & Treasurer*

*Alexander Ajlouni, Council Member*

*John Schulte, Public Safety Director*

*Robert Barrette, Council Member*

*Brett Smith, Public Works Director*

*Bruce Bisballe, Council Member*

*Harold Michaux, Grounds Supervisor*

*Tina Ellis, Council Member*

*Kay Drake, Pool Manager*

*Doug Kucyk, Council Member*

*Brian Renaud  
City Attorney*

*Bruce Nichols, City Clerk*

*Pete Bierzynski  
Assessor*



**GPS ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE  
HOURS:**

**Mon–Fri 8:30am to 5:00pm**

**DPW: Mon–Fri 7:30am to 4:00pm**

**PUBLIC SAFETY: Open 24 Hours**

Please remember to visit the Grosse  
Pointe Shores website at  
**gpshoresmi.gov**. It offers a  
variety of information useful to  
residents.